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PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS

BENNINGTON MAN SENTENCED ON FEDERAL WEAPONS OFFENSE

Re: United States v. Roger LUBY

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, Bennington Police Chief Steven Campbell, and U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Resident Agent in Charge Clifford Ellston, announced that Roger LUBY, age 57, of Bennington, New Hampshire was sentenced today on a federal weapons conviction.

On January 7, 2004, a federal jury returned a guilty verdict against LUBY on the charge of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm in Bennington on July 31, 2002. LUBY had been previously convicted of a felony marijuana distribution charge in 1995. Convicted felons are prohibited from possessing firearms and ammunition under federal law.

At today's sentencing, U.S. District Judge Joseph A. DiClerico, Jr. imposed a sentence of 33 months imprisonment followed by a 3-year period of supervised release during which LUBY's behavior will be monitored by the U.S. Department of Probation. Judge DiClerico also imposed a \$7,500 fine against LUBY.

"This case exemplifies this office's commitment to aggressive prosecution of the federal firearms laws as mandated by the Department of Justice's "Project Safe Neighborhoods" initiative. Keeping firearms out of the hands of convicted drug traffickers is one of our main objectives. This office will continue to enforce vigorously the federal firearms laws as we implement Project Safe Neighborhoods in the District of New Hampshire."

"The case is also a testament to the cooperative efforts of the Bennington Police Department the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. This and other jointly investigated cases have made New Hampshire a safer place to live."

The prosecution against LUBY resulted from an investigation conducted by the Bennington, N.H. Police Department and the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution is being handled by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph N. Laplante.